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SUBJ: LOS: STRAIT OF TIRAN

1. IN NEGOTIATING GROUP OF COMMITTEE II DEALING WITH THE STRAITS ISSUE, EGYPT ON BEHALF OF ARAB GROUP ANNOUNCED INTENTION TO TABLE AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE 43 OF RSNT ON THURSDAY. THE AMENDMENT WOULD CONVERT REGIME OF NON-SUSPENDABLE INNOCENT PASSAGE IN STRAIT OF TIRAN AS NOW APPLIES TO ONE OF SUSPENDABLE INNOCENT PASSAGE. ISRAEL WILL RESPOND MAKING IT POSSIBLE THAT QUESTION WILL BE REOPENED FOR SERIOUS DEBATE.

2. TEXT OF AMENDMENT FOLLOWS:

QTE: 1. THE REGIME OF INNOCENT PASSAGE IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 3 OF CHAPTER (1), SHALL APPLY IN STRAITS USED FOR INTERNATIONAL NAVIGATION BETWEEN ONE AREA OF HIGH SEAS OR AN EEZ AND THE TERRITORIAL SEA OF A FOREIGN STATE. 2. IN STRAITS EXCLUDED UNDER PARAGRAPH 1 OF ARTICLE 37 FROM THE APPLICATION OF THE REGIME OF INNOCENT PASSAGE, THE REGIME OF INNOCENT PASSAGE AS SET OUT IN PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS ARTICLE, SHALL ALSO APPLY PROVIDED THAT THERE SHALL BE NO SUSPENSION OF

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INNOCENT PASSAGE THROUGH SUCH STRAITS. UNQTE.

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